

**PRESENTATION OF THE
BOARD OF NURSING**

TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2016

Monday, February 8, 2016
2:05 p.m.

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 805, RELATING TO HEALTH

TO THE HONORABLE ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer for the Board of Nursing ("Board"). I appreciate the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 805, Relating to Health that removes the sunset provision from Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, relating to the definitions of "the practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse" and "the practice of nursing as a registered nurse".

The Board supports this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 805.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
David H Messer III, PA-C	Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants	Support	No

Comments: Honorable Committee Members Please support Senate Bill 805, eliminating the “Sunset” provision of Act 255. SB 2103, when submitted in 2012 received support from the following: The Hawaii State Board of Nursing , HMA, The Queens Health System, The Hawaii State Center for Nursing, Hawaii Pacific Health, The University of Hawaii – School of Nursing and Dental Health, The American Academy of Physician Assistants, The Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants in addition to nurses, physicians assistants and physicians. Review of archive testimony confirms the information above. There has been ample time to evaluate the law and its effect on public health. There has been no demonstrated or documentable harm, but rather benefit. The change made by Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, has provided clarity and improved communication for all health care providers and specifically, licensed practical nurses, registered nurses and physician assistants. In summary, the original bill SB 2103 was widely supported by the medical community in general, as referenced above. There has been no indication that it has negatively impacted health care delivery or caused any malpractice. The bill has given clarity that when nurses carry out prescribed medical orders from physician assistants that they are acting lawfully and within their scope of practice. Please support SB 805 which removes the “Sunset Clause” from Act 255 and allows this change to move forward into perpetuity. HAPA appreciates your proactive support to protect and move our profession forward in Hawaii. Sincerely, David H Messer III, PA-C President Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants 808 383 6404

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House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
The Honorable Angus L.K. McKelvey, Chair
The Honorable Justin H. Woodson, Vice Chair

Regarding SB805

Scheduled for hearing: CPC on Monday, 02-08-16 2:05 PM in House conference room 325.

Honorable Congressmen and Committee Members:

This serves as additional testimony for HAPA. Previous testimony submitted by Dave Messer, PA-C, President HAPA.

SB 2103, submitted and passed in 2012 added language to HRS 457 that helped to clarify that nurses could execute prescribed orders written by physician assistants acting within their scope of practice. When the bill passed "Sunset" language was attached. This is fairly standard procedure which allows for a "trial period" to assure that there is no negative impact to the public from the bill. The change has been in effect for more than 4 years and there has been no demonstrable or documentable harm, but rather benefit. The change made by Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, has provided clarity and improved communication for all health care providers and specifically, licensed practical nurses, registered nurses and physician assistants.

In reviewing public testimony, it can be seen that the only opposing testimony in 2012 and in 2015, has been received from two individual Advanced Practice Nurses, who testified against the original bill in 2012 and again, against SB 805 in 2015. They do not represent the nursing community at large.

Both individual APRN testifiers object that physician assistants should not be included in the definitions of the nurse practice act in terms of who a nurse can carry out prescribed medical orders from, because it should be stated under their own HRS 453.

This has raised concern among members of HAPA who question why these testifiers would single out physician assistants (PAs) in such a discriminatory fashion. Why not the other providers listed? Dentists, physicians, osteopathic physicians, or podiatrists? All are listed as noted below.

HRS 457 currently states the following:

§457-2 Definitions

"The foregoing may include, but shall not be limited to: implementation of basic nursing procedures in the plan of care; observing and caring for individuals at all levels of the health spectrum, giving counsel and acting to safeguard life and health and functioning as a part of the health care team, under the direction of a dentist, physician, osteopathic physician, registered nurse, osteopath, or podiatrist licensed in accordance with chapter 448, 453, 457, 460, or 463E, or under the orders of a physician assistant licensed pursuant to chapter 453, practicing with physician supervision as required by chapter 453, and acting as the agent of the supervising physician;

There is no merit in their argument that PAs should not be included in HRS 457.

If PAs are to be excluded then why not dentists, physicians, osteopathic physicians and podiatrists?

This was not supported by the Hawaii Board of Nursing who testified on SB 805 in 2015 to Senate HTH, CPN and House HLT committees with the following language:

PRESENTATION OF THE BOARD OF NURSING
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2015
Friday, March 20, 2015
10:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 805, RELATING TO HEALTH

TO THE HONORABLE DELLA AU BELATTI, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:
My name is Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer of the Board of Nursing
I appreciate the opportunity to submit testimony on Senate Bill No. 805,
Relating to Health, that would remove the sunset provision from Act 255, Session Laws
The Board supports this bill.
Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on Senate Bill No. 805.
REGARDING SB 805:
Hearing scheduled for 3/20/2015
Hearing Room 329 10:30 AM
House Committee

The Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants asks for the support of the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce in passing SB 805 which removes the "Sunset" language from Act 255 and allows this change to move forward into perpetuity.

Fielding Mercer, PA-C
Legislative Liaison
Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants



February 5, 2016

The Honorable Angus McKelvey, Chair
The Honorable Justin Woodson, Vice Chair
House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Representative McKelvey and Committee Members:

The American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) is the national professional organization for PAs that advocates on behalf of the profession and patient care provided by physician-PA teams and analyzes laws and regulations that impact PA practice. AAPA represents a profession of more than 108,000 PAs across all medical and surgical specialties and has extensive experience with state regulation of PA practice.

AAPA **supports SB 805** which repeals the sunset provision in Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012 authorizing licensed practical nurses and registered nurses to carry out the orders of a PA. The provisions are set to sunset on July 1, 2017, if the provision is not repealed.

PAs practice in every healthcare setting, including interdisciplinary teams and various settings that inevitably may require licensed practical nurses and registered nurses to carry out orders by PAs. In order to provide high quality efficient care, PA orders should be able to be executed by LPNs and RNs without hesitation.

Reverting to the previous language of HRS 457 eliminates PAs from the list of providers that nurses can execute prescribed orders from and may lead to confusion as to whether nurses can carry out the orders of a PA. Without data or evidence indicating that the 2012 law has led to any negative impact on public health, we strongly recommend repealing the sunset date for this act. The direction of this bill is consistent with state law in many states across the country which allows LPNs and RNs to carry out the orders of PAs.

We encourage you to continue the good intent of the 2012 act by supporting this bill that increases patient access to quality healthcare.

Sincerely,

Ann Davis, MS, PA-C
Vice President, Constituent Organization
Outreach and Advocacy

KAUAI COMMUNITY HEALTH ALLIANCE

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February 4, 2016

Honorable Committee Members:

Kauai Community Health Alliance is asking your support for Senate Bill 805, eliminating the "Sunset" provision of Act 255.

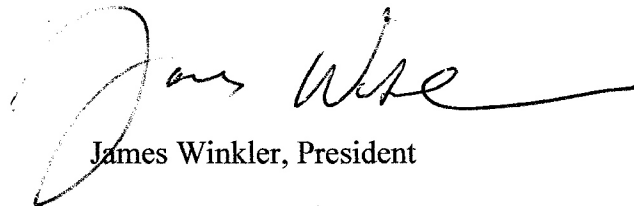
The original bill, SB 2103, submitted in 2012, received widespread support from the Hawaii Medical Association, the State Board of Nursing, Queens Health System and a great many more. This widespread acceptance continues today.

To date this 2012 legislation has produced significantly improved healthcare delivery, with no negative impacts reported. More clear lines of communication between medical personnel always results in improved patient care. This has been the case with the changes resulting from Act 255 in 2012.

To sustain this public benefit, we ask you to please support Bill 805, eliminating the "Sunset" provision of Act 255.

Sincerely,

KAUAI COMMUNITY HEALTH ALLIANCE



James Winkler, President



THE QUEEN'S HEALTH SYSTEMS

To: The Honorable Angus L. K. McKelvey, Chair, Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
The Honorable Justin H. Woodson, Vice Chair, Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Members, Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce


From: Paula Yoshioka, Senior Vice President, The Queen's Health Systems

Date: February 5, 2016

Hrg: House Committee on Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce Hearing;
Monday, February 8, 2016 at 2:05pm in Room 325

Re: **Support for SB 805, Relating to Health**

My name is Paula Yoshioka and I am a Senior Vice President at The Queen's Health Systems (QHS). I would like to express my **support** for SB 805, Relating to Health. This bill removes the sunset provision from Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, relating to the definitions of "the practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse" and "the practice of nursing as a registered nurse".

At Queen's a significant and essential asset of our patient care team is our specialty trained Registered Nurses. These nurses enable us to provide high quality patient care to the people of Hawai'i. Our nurses work effectively in partnership with an increasing number of Physician Assistants (PAs) in our hospital. This bill will remove the sunset provision on Act 255 (2012) continuing to clearly allow both nurses and PAs to safely and quickly carry forward orders of supervising physicians, resulting in improved patient care. Therefore, I urge you to support this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this important matter.



THE QUEEN'S HEALTH SYSTEMS

To: The Honorable Angus L. K. McKelvey, Chair, Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
The Honorable Justin H. Woodson, Vice Chair, Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Members, Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

From: Cindy Kamikawa, Vice President of Nursing & CNO, The Queen's Health Systems

Date: February 5, 2016

Hrg: House Committee on Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce Hearing;
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Re: **Support for SB 805, Relating to Health**

My name is Cindy Kamikawa and I am a Vice President of Nursing & CNO at The Queen's Health Systems (QHS). I would like to express my **support** for SB 805, Relating to Health. This bill removes the sunset provision from Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, relating to the definitions of "the practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse" and "the practice of nursing as a registered nurse".

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February 6, 2016

Aloha Honorable Committee Members:

Please support Senate Bill 805, eliminating the “Sunset” provision of Act 255.

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- The Hawaii State Board of Nursing
- HMA
- The Queens Health System
- The Hawaii State Center for Nursing
- Hawaii Pacific Health
- The University of Hawaii – School of Nursing and Dental Health
- The American Academy of Physician Assistants
- The Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants

in addition to nurses, physician assistants and physicians. Review of archive testimony confirms the information above.

There has been ample time to evaluate the law and its effect on public health. There has been no demonstrated or documentable harm, but rather only benefit. The change made by Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, has provided clarity and improved communication for all health care providers and specifically, licensed practical nurses, registered nurses and physician assistants.

As a Kaiser Permanente physician assistant, I personally manage our region’s entire HIV population on all islands, the largest patient population of any other Hawaii provider. I also manage our entire transgender population, which is growing rapidly. In order for me to continue providing exceptional medical care for my complex patients, I need to have ongoing ability to delegate orders and properly utilize my support staff (nurses).

Please support SB 805 which removes the “Sunset Clause” from Act 255 and allows this change to move forward into perpetuity.

Sincerely,



Scott A. Denny, MSPA, AAHIVM, PA-C
HIV Specialist, The American Academy of HIV Medicine
Lead Transgender Services
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Nicole Dusenbury	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Jacqueline Cheng	Individual	Support	No

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Larry Alfrey	Individual	Support	No

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Patrick Katahara	Individual	Support	No

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Elisa Chong	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Honorable Committee Members Please support Senate Bill 805, eliminating the “Sunset” provision of Act 255. I have been a PA in Hawaii for over 25 years and have seen the way Medicine has changed over the years. With the Physician Shortage in Hawaii and around the Nation, please continue to allow PAs to practice effectively. All the major medical organizations supported this bill in 2012. It has been able to clarify to Nurses that they can take orders from a PA. SB 2103, when submitted in 2012 received support from the following: The H awaii State Board of Nursing , HMA, The Queens Health System, The Hawaii State Center for Nursing, Hawaii Pacific Health, The University of Hawaii – School of Nursing and Dental Health, The American Academy of Physician Assistants, The Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants in addition to nurses, physicians assistants and physicians. Review of archive testimony confirms the information above. There has been ample time to evaluate the law and its effect on public health. There has been no demonstrated or documentable harm, but rather benefit. The change made by Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, has provided clarity and improved communication for all health care providers and specifically, licensed practical nurses, registered nurses and physician assistants. In summary, the original bill SB 2103 was widely supported by the medical community in general, as referenced above. There has been no indication that it has negatively impacted health care delivery or caused any malpractice. The bill has given clarity that when nurses carry out prescribed medical orders from physician assistants that they are acting lawfully and within their scope of practice. Please support SB 805 which removes the “Sunset Clause” from Act 255 and allows this change to move forward into perpetuity.

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We have a critical physician workforce shortage in our state. (Ref: Withy report on Physician Workforce Assessment Report to the Legislature). This shortage is particularly evident in our rural populations and in specialties that care for critically injured patients. As a general / trauma surgeon with two decades experience in Hawaii, I have firsthand knowledge of the complications that can develop when patients cannot obtain expedient medical care. Physicians Assistants (PAs) help to fill this critical gap. The training of a PA prepares them well to prescribe medication with the oversight of a physician. They complete post graduate work in pharmacology and medical therapeutics, and have over 4,000 of clinical experience. The PAs I have worked with in Hawaii are superb, and I have not encountered a single problem due to their privilege to give verbal orders to nurses.

I enthusiastically support SB805; if Act 255 is allowed to "sunset" it will create inefficiency and detract from optimal care of our patients.

Sincerely,

Susan Steinemann, MD, FACS

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Patricia Achay	Individual	Support	No

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marc morifuji, PAC	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Honorable Committee Members, Please support senate bill 805, eliminating the sunset provision of ACT 255. There has been ample time to evaluate the law, and no harm would come to the public. In fact, I believe that with the impeding health care shortage in Hawaii this would actually help the citizens in Hawaii. The original SB 2103 has been widely supported by the medical community and when nurses carry out orders from physician assistants they are carrying out orders from the physician assistant's supervising physician (MD)as well. Mahalo for your time and consideration Marc Morifuji, PA-C

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As a registered nurse for over 13 years, who has received multiple orders from Physician's Assistants in regards to patient care in the Emergency department, Intensive Care Unit, Operating Room, and as a Nursing House Supervisor, I respect the knowledge, training, and experience of these healthcare professionals and view their abilities to be an asset to the healthcare community. As a Nurse Practitioner for the last 2 years, I consider Physicians Assistants to be collaborators, colleagues, and partners in the care of patients across the island. Restricting a Physician Assistants ability to write orders for nurses, whether hospital based or otherwise, poses a threat to the continuity of care in our community.

In summary, the original bill SB 2103 was widely supported by the medical community in general, as referenced above. There has been no indication that it has negatively impacted health care delivery or caused any malpractice, and in my opinion, has facilitated improved healthcare in Hawaii. The bill has given clarity that when nurses carry out prescribed medical orders from physician assistants that they are acting lawfully and within their scope of practice.

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Sincerely,

Melissa Fletcher, BSN, RN, NP-C

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deborah mathias	Individual	Support	No

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Kathleen Elliott	Individual	Comments Only	No

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David Jones, MD	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Very respectfully,

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
William B. Lee, MD	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a director of a busy emergency department it is essential that Physician Assistants are able to give orders to a nurse in order to efficiently take care of patients. Any barriers lead to delays in treatment and potential pain and suffering on the part of our patients.

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Darin Simmer	Individual	Support	No

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Melissa Balogh	Individual	Support	No

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chelsey	Individual	Support	No

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Lee Ann Clark PA-C	Individual	Support	No

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HAPA appreciates your proactive support to protect and move our profession forward in Hawaii.

Sincerely,

Arleen Ronquillo, M.S,PA-C

Physician Assistant, Hawaii license AMD-236

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Jill S Williams	Individual	Support	No

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Wailua Brandman	Hawaii Assoc. of Professional Nurses	Comments Only	No

Comments: NOTE: Previously submitted testimony referred to HB2707 in error and should have stated HB2255 Relating to Physician Assistants

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Rocco Laudadio Jr	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: From: Rocco Laudadio Jr., DHSc. Director of Urgent Care Services TMC, ED, Honolulu, Hawaii 808.433.4192 Honorable Committee Members Please support Senate Bill 805, eliminating the "Sunset" provision of Act 255. SB 2103, when submitted in 2012 received support from the following: The Hawaii State Board of Nursing , HMA, The Queens Health System, The Hawaii State Center for Nursing, Hawaii Pacific Health, The University of Hawaii – School of Nursing and Dental Health, The American Academy of Physician Assistants, The Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants in addition to nurses, physicians assistants and physicians. Review of archive testimony confirms the information above. There has been ample time to evaluate the law and its effect on public health. There has been no demonstrated or documentable harm, but rather benefit. The change made by Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, has provided clarity and improved communication for all health care providers and specifically, licensed practical nurses, registered nurses and physician assistants. In summary, the original bill SB 2103 was widely supported by the medical community in general, as referenced above. There has been no indication that it has negatively impacted health care delivery or caused any malpractice. The bill has given clarity that when nurses carry out prescribed medical orders from physician assistants that they are acting lawfully and within their scope of practice. Please support SB 805 which removes the "Sunset Clause" from Act 255 and allows this change to move forward into perpetuity. Respectfully, Rocco

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Anthony Menendez	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Honorable Committee Members Please support Senate Bill 805, eliminating the “Sunset” provision of Act 255. We have many years of experience that support that no harm is caused, and that allowing PAs this privilege actually allows patients in Hawaii to receive outstanding care. At least 46 other states have already taken this action. SB 2103, when submitted in 2012 received support from the following: The Hawaii State Board of Nursing , HMA, The Queens Health System, The Hawaii State Center for Nursing, Hawaii Pacific Health, The University of Hawaii – School of Nursing and Dental Health, The American Academy of Physician Assistants, The Hawaii Academy of Physician Assistants in addition to nurses, physicians assistants and physicians. Review of archive testimony confirms the information above. There has been ample time to evaluate the law and its effect on public health. There has been no demonstrated or documentable harm, but rather benefit. The change made by Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, has provided clarity and improved communication for all health care providers and specifically, licensed practical nurses, registered nurses and physician assistants. In summary, the original bill SB 2103 was widely supported by the medical community in general, as referenced above. There has been no indication that it has negatively impacted health care delivery or caused any malpractice. The bill has given clarity that when nurses carry out prescribed medical orders from physician assistants that they are acting lawfully and within their scope of practice. Please support SB 805 which removes the “Sunset Clause” from Act 255 and allows this change to move forward into perpetuity. Thank you for your time, Anthony Menendez, RA-HBR State of Hawaii

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